

# PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 6 - 7 November 1957		2. LOCATION Lima, Ohio		12. CONCLUSIONS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon  <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft  <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical  <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 8:00 PM & 2:00 AM GMT 07/0100Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		6. SOURCE local Citizens			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION seven minutes		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE unknown	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING A round, red object was observed at a very high altitude by a number of people, who called the Lima newspaper. The object was observed to the NE.				11. COMMENTS Check showed that WX Unit at Sulphur Grove released lighted balloons at 6:30 PM & 12:30 AM. local time. Distance to sighting area is 52-55 miles. Winds were from the S SW at 30 knots. This would just put each balloon over sighting area at almost exactly the times reported.	



**U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET**  
**(SUMMARY DATA)**

In order that your information may be filed and coded as accurately as possible, please use the following space to write out a short description of the event that you observed. You may repeat information that you have already given in the questionnaire, and add any further comments, statements, or sketches that you believe are important. Try to present the details of the observation in the order in which they occurred. Additional pages of the same size paper may be attached if they are needed.

NAME

(Please Print)

(Do Not Write in This Space)

CODE:

SIGNATURE

DATE



B.S. Ed

Mag (Gen. Sauer)

$3\frac{1}{2}$  km

Am. Soc.



WINDS  
FROM

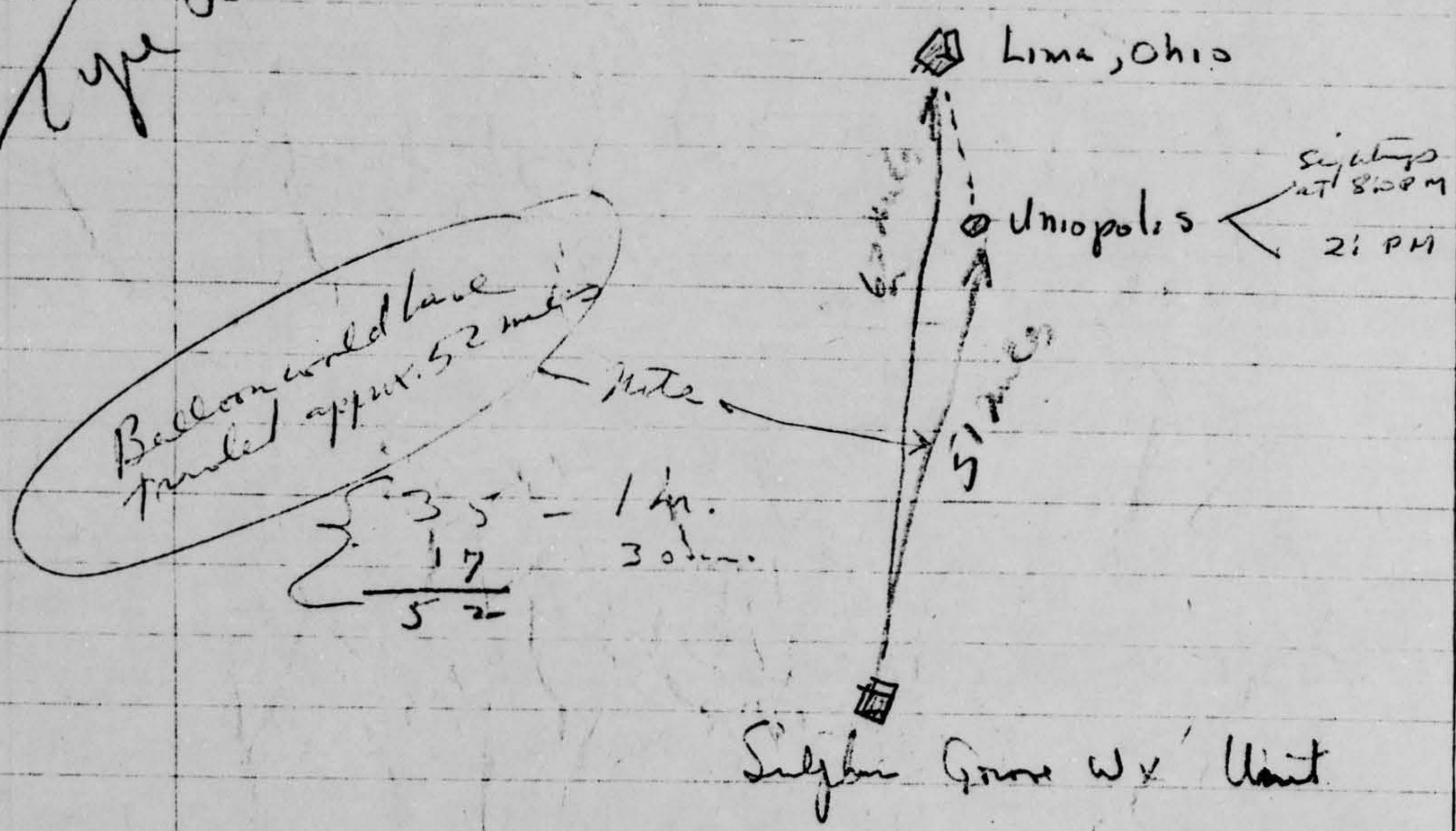
WRIGHT FLD TO APPROX 25 Miles  
South of Lake  
CA15

7:30 PM 7000-12000 270 - (29K) } 90, 34.8  
S-SW } MPH  
1:30 PM 7000-12000 620 - (28K) }

✓ As given to Capt. Gregory by  
Lt. Vaughn, 6th Weather Group  
on 7 Nov 1957.

Type this

STG



Balloon released at 6:30 P.M. - winds S-SW 29K

Balloon released at 12:30 A.M. - winds S-SW 29K

Balloon would have traveled between  
52 - 55 miles with the wind speeds  
given.



LIMA

UNIOPTA

seen at 8:00 PM

60 Miles

52 Miles

Surplus food

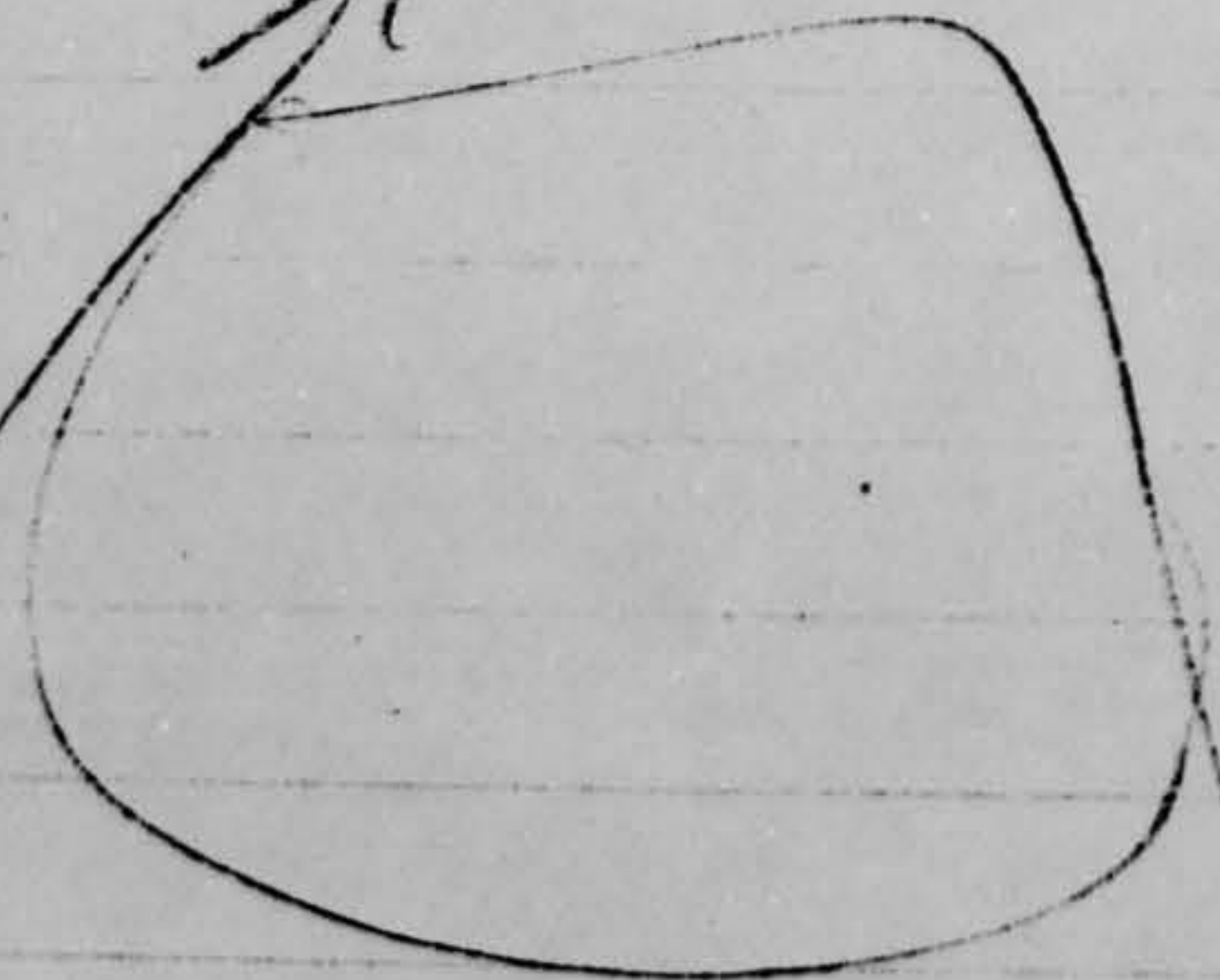
landed at 6:30 PM

29 Knts

c 34 MPH

$\frac{1}{2}$

WINDS





6. 07/01002  
Multi

~~80~~  
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# U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U. S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes, and will be regarded as confidential material. Your name will not be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that, if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

1. When did you see the object?

6 NOV \_\_\_\_\_  
Day Month Year

2. Time of day:

8 PM 6 NOV  
Hour Minutes  
2 AM 7 NOV,  
(Circle One): A.M. or P.M.

3. Time zone:

(Circle One): a. Eastern  
b. Central  
c. Mountain  
d. Pacific  
e. Other \_\_\_\_\_

(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving  
b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

LIMA, OHIO NEWS, UNIOPOLIS, OHIO

Nearest Postal Address

City or Town

State or Country

Additional remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Estimate how long you saw the object.

Hours

Minutes

Seconds

SEVERAL

5.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 5.

a. Certain  
b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure  
d. Just a guess

6. What was the condition of the sky?

(Circle One): a. Bright daylight  
b. Dull daylight  
c. Bright twilight

d. Just a trace of daylight  
e. No trace of daylight  
f. Don't remember

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One): a. In front of you  
b. In back of you  
c. To your right

d. To your left  
e. Overhead  
f. Don't remember

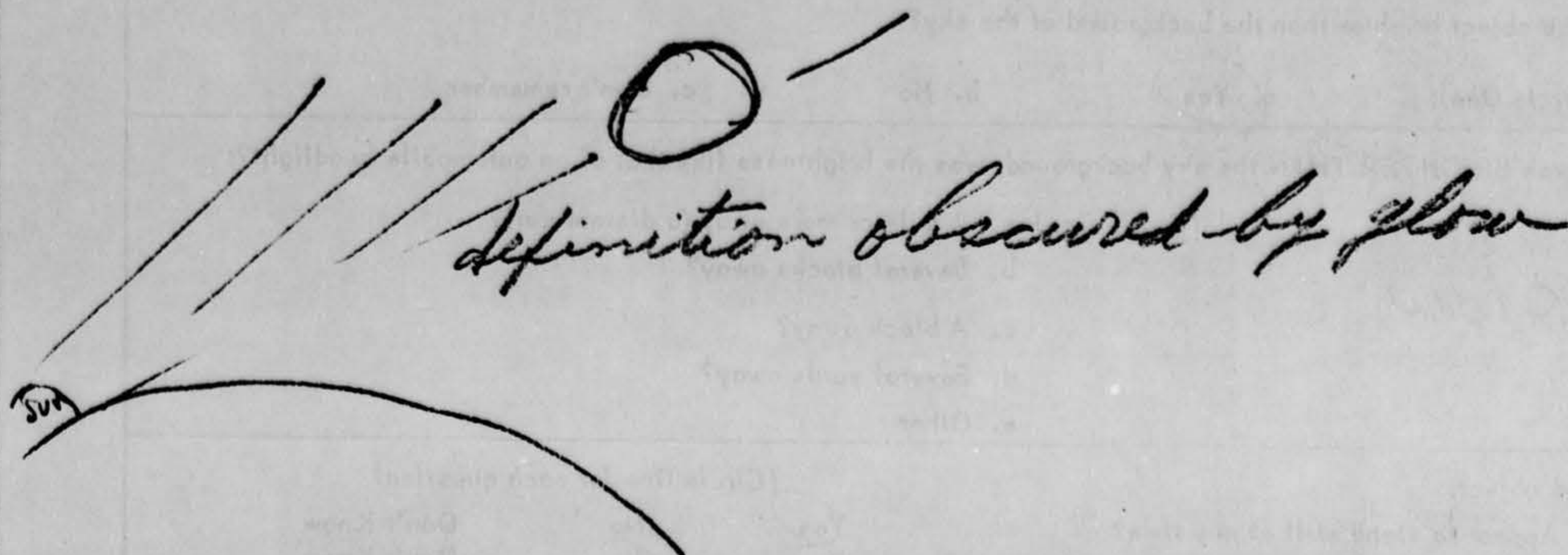


16. Tell in a few words the following things about the object.

a. Sound no

b. Color red glow

17. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.



18. The edges of the object were:

- (Circle One):
- ☒ a. Fuzzy or blurred
  - ☐ b. Like a bright star
  - ☐ c. Sharply outlined
  - ☐ d. Don't remember

e. Other \_\_\_\_\_

19. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? 2  
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

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8. IF you saw the object, at NIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS (Circle One):

- a. None  
b. A few  
c. Many  
☒ d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (Circle One):

- a. Bright moonlight  
b. Dull moonlight  
c. No moonlight — pitch dark  
d. Don't remember

9. Was the object brighter than the background of the sky?

(Circle One):

☒ a. Yes

b. No

c. Don't remember

10. IF it was BRIGHTER THAN the sky background, was the brightness like that of an automobile headlight?:

(Circle One) a. A mile or more away (a distant car)?

b. Several blocks away?

c. A block away?

d. Several yards away?

e. Other

*Red Glow*

11. Did the object:

- a. Appear to stand still at any time?  
b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time?  
c. Break up into parts or explode?  
d. Give off smoke?  
e. Change brightness?  
f. Change shape?  
g. Flicker, throb, or pulsate?

(Circle One for each question)

☒ Yes

No

Don't Know

☒ Yes

No

Don't Know

☒ Yes

No

Don't Know

☒ Yes

No

Don't Know

☒ Yes

No

Don't Know

☒ Yes

No

Don't Know

12. Did the object move behind something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One):

Yes

☒ No

Don't Know.

IF you answered YES, then tell what

it moved behind: \_\_\_\_\_

13. Did the object move in front of something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One):

Yes

☒ No

Don't Know.

IF you answered YES, then tell what

it moved in front of: \_\_\_\_\_

14. Did the object appear:

(Circle One):

a. Solid?

b. Transparent?

☒ c. Don't Know.

15. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

- a. Eyeglasses  
b. Sun glasses  
c. Windshield  
d. Window glass

Yes  
Yes  
Yes  
Yes

No  
No  
No  
No

- ☒ e. Binoculars  
f. Telescope  
g. Theodolite  
h. Other \_\_\_\_\_

Yes  
Yes  
Yes

No  
No  
No

*one person*



25. Where were you located when you saw the object?  
(Circle One):

- a. Inside a building  
b. In a car  
☒ c. Outdoors  
d. In an airplane  
e. At sea  
f. Other \_\_\_\_\_

*2 people saw through window*

26. Were you (Circle One)

- a. In the business section of a city?  
b. In the residential section of a city?  
c. In open countryside?  
d. Flying near an airfield?  
e. Flying over a city?  
f. Flying over open country?  
g. Other *in village*

27. What were you doing at the time you saw the object, and how did you happen to notice it?

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28. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

28.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

- |   |              |              |              |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North                                      | c. East      | e. South     | g. West      |
| <input checked="" type="radio"/> b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

28.2 How fast were you moving? \_\_\_\_\_ miles per hour.

28.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One)      Yes      No

29. What direction were you looking when you first saw the object? (Circle One)

- |   |              |              |              |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North                                      | c. East      | e. South     | g. West      |
| <input checked="" type="radio"/> b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

30. What direction were you looking when you last saw the object? (Circle One)

- |   |              |              |              |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North                                      | c. East      | e. South     | g. West      |
| <input checked="" type="radio"/> b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

31. If you are familiar with bearing terms (angular direction), try to estimate the number of degrees the object was from true North and also the number of degrees it was upward from the horizon (elevation).

31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North \_\_\_\_\_ degrees.  
b. From horizon \_\_\_\_\_ degrees.

31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North \_\_\_\_\_ degrees.  
b. From horizon \_\_\_\_\_ degrees.



20. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.



21. IF POSSIBLE, try to guess or estimate what the real size of the object was in its longest dimension.  
UNK feet.

22. How large did the object or objects appear as compared with one of the following objects held in the hand and at about arm's length?

(Circle One):

- a. Head of a pin  
b. Pea  
c. Dime  
d. Nickel  
e. Quarter  
f. Half dollar

- g. Silver dollar  
h. Baseball  
i. Grapefruit  
j. Basketball  
k. Other \_\_\_\_\_

UNK

- 22.1 (Circle One of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 22.

- a. Certain  
b. Fairly certain

- c. Not very sure  
d. Uncertain

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view? Moved Slowly Away

24. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, we would like for you to imagine that you could construct the object that you saw. Of what type material would you make it? How large would it be, and what shape would it have? Describe in your own words a common object or objects which when placed up in the sky would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.



39. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One)

Yes

No

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate?

appeared slow m.p.h.

40. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One)

Yes

No

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was?

VERY HIGH feet.

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
First Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Middle Name

ADDRESS

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

\_\_\_\_\_  
Zone

\_\_\_\_\_  
State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

[REDACTED]

What is your present job?

REPORTER

Age

Sex

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

a. Grade school \_\_\_\_\_

e. e. Technical school \_\_\_\_\_

b. High school \_\_\_\_\_

(Type) \_\_\_\_\_

c. College \_\_\_\_\_

f. Other special training \_\_\_\_\_

d. Post graduate \_\_\_\_\_

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Day

\_\_\_\_\_  
Month

\_\_\_\_\_  
Year



34. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

34.1 CLOUDS (Circle One)

- a. Clear sky
- b. Hazy *UNK*
- c. Scattered clouds
- d. Thick or heavy clouds
- e. Don't remember

34.2 WIND (Circle One)

- a. No wind
- b. Slight breeze
- c. Strong wind
- d. ☒ Don't remember

34.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

- a. Dry
- b. Fog, mist, or light rain
- c. Moderate or heavy rain
- d. Snow
- e. ☒ Don't remember

34.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

- a. Cold
- b. ☒ Cool
- c. Warm
- d. Hot
- e. Don't remember

35. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?

7 Day      NOV Month      57 Year

36. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?

(Circle One) ☒ Yes      No

36.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too?

(Circle One) ☒ Yes      No

36.2 Please list their names and addresses:

37. Was this the first time that you had seen an object or objects like this?

(Circle One) Yes      ☒ No

37.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what circumstances did you see other ones?

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38. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it?



Ted: The fellow is going to  
call us again. He wants to know what  
the sightings were.  
Mr. Hewitt, Chief Reporter of  
a LIMA paper called in  
a number of sightings reported to  
him. He asked for a reply  
as to our findings.

This matter is

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~  
LIMA, 01410.

Balloons were released from a unit  
approximately 52 miles <sup>South</sup> from UN100045  
at 6:30 PM and at 12:30 after midnight.

The winds were from the S.S.W at  
approx 35 miles an hr. This would put  
the balloon in his area  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hrs. later  
which would be approximately 8:00 PM  
and 0:45 AM respectively. The balloons  
had night traffic lights.